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FOLLOWING STOCKHOLM 3206 SENT ACTION SECSTATE INFO ADDIS ABABA  
BONN FRANKFURT LONDON NAIROBI AUG 3, 1977 REPEATED TO YOU  
QUOTE

S E C R E T STOCKHOLM 3206

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CVIS, SREF, ET, SW

SUBJECT: ASYLUM REQUEST OF MEMBERS OF ETHIOPIAN ROYAL FAMILY

REF: STOCKHOLM 3171, ADDIS ABABA 4673 AND PREVIOUS

1. SWEDISH FOREIGN MINISTRY TELEPHONED CHARGE AUG 3 TO  
REPORT THAT COLLINSES AND TEN CHILDREN ARRIVED JULY 29. THEY  
ARE STAYING AT A SCHOOL IN STOCKHOLM AREA AND ARE "IN GOOD  
SHAPE." DR. ARNDT MEYER-LIE, WHO HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN DEFENSE  
OF ETHIOPIAN POLITICAL PRISONERS, IS IN CHARGE OF THEIR CARE,  
AND SWEDISH RELIGIOUS GROUPS ARE HELPING OUT.

2. MFA SAID COLLINSES AND CHILDREN DEFINITELY WISH TO  
TRAVEL TO US, AND ASKED THAT EMBASSY GET IN TOUCH WITH THEM  
DIRECTLY. CONSULAR SECTION CHIEF HASSETT TELEPHONED AND  
SPOKE WITH MEYER-LIE AND MRS. COLLINS: SEPTTEL WILL FOLLOW.

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3. MFA CONTACT SAID MEYER-LIE IS IN TOUCH WITH UN  
(APPARENTLY A HIGH UN OFFICIAL OF ETHIOPIAN ORIGIN)  
ABOUT POSSIBLE UN ASSISTANCE, AND THERE WAS SOME IDEA OF  
ASKING AID FROM AMBASSADOR YOUNG IF THIS WAS NEEDED  
(WITH AN EYE TO AMBASSADOR YOUNG'S CONNECTIONS WITH  
INTERESTED US CHURCH GROUPS). DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO

GIVE BACKGROUND TO USUN.

4. TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, MATTER HAS STILL NOT SURFACED  
IN PRESS HERE. MFA CONTACT SAID GOS WOULD NOT INITIATE  
PUBLICITY BUT WOULD NOT SHRINK FROM IT, SINCE SWEDEN'S  
DIFFICULTIES WITH PRESENT ETHIOPIAN GOVERNMENT ARE  
WELL KNOWN. PERRY UNQUOTE CHRISTOPHER

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